

Message Text

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P R 180548Z MAR 78
FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS
TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 7256
INFO AMEMBASSY ATHENS
AMCONSUL KARACHI

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAMASCUS 1516

FOR DEPUTY ASST SEC NAEHER, KARACHI FOR RCO;
ATHENS FOR ATO

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: AFAC, ASEC, ABLD
SUBJECT: SKYLINK/SKYMUX INSTALLATION

REF: A) DEPT MEMO 11/30/77, B) D 136, C) D 1373, D)
STATE 67490

1. POST WOULD LIKE CLEAR UP SEVERAL MISUNDERSTANDINGS REFTEL
D. POST FULLY AWARE THAT REF A STATED THAT TELEPHONE ROOM
TO BE CONSTRUCTED LOCALLY OBTAINED MATERIALS AND THAT POST
REQUESTED ADDITIONAL INFO REFTEL B. SUBSEQUENT REPEAT SUB-
SEQUENT TO THIS, POST NOTIFIED THROUGH ATO ATHENS THAT
PREFAB BOOTH WAS GOING TO BE USED. THIS WAS FIRST TIME
POST HEARD OF PREFAB BOOTH. WE WERE LATER ADVISED THROUGH
ATO THAT BOOTH UNDER CONSTRUCTION IN LAST HALF JAN. WE
HAVE ALSO CONFIRMED WITH INSTALLATION TEAM AND TCU THAT
POST WAS NOT AN ADDRESSEE ON LATER TRAFFIC INVOLVING IN-
STALLATION. ASSUMPTION WAS MADE THAT POST BEING ADVISED
BY SEPTELS. SINCE THIS WAS THE LATEST INFORMATION AND
CAME FROM THE ORGANIZATION COORDINATING THE INSTALLATION,
POST ASSUMED THAT THIS SUPERSEDED THE QUOTE FINAL
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INSTRUCTION UNQUOTE PREPARED IN NOVEMBER.

2. WHEN INSTALLATION TEAM ARRIVED, THEY WERE SURPRISED
THAT THE DEPT HAD NOT INFORMED US AS TO CHANGE BACK
REPEAT BACK TO NOVEMBER INSTRUCTION AND TOLD US THAT
THE BOOTH HAD IN FACT BEEN CONSTRUCTED BEFORE THE
DECISION MADE NOT TO USE IT. UNTIL TEAM ARRIVED EVERY-

BODY FROM AMBASSADOR ON DOWN UNDER ASSUMPTION BOOTH
COMING IN. THE TEAM ALSO INFORMED POST UPON ARRIVAL
THAT CEMENT PAD WAS NOT GOING TO BE USED AS SPECIFIED
NOVEMBER MEMO. POST HAD ALREADY ARRANGED FOR NECESSARY
MATERIALS.

3. REFTTEL C CONTAINS COST ESTIMATE AND PROPOSED CON-
STRUCTION MATERIALS FOR DEPT CONCURRENCE AND WAS
SLUGGED FOR A/FBO. REFTTEL C ALSO REQUESTED SEABEES
AND WAS SLUGGED FOR A/SY/FO AND A/SY/NSU. POST CAN SEND
SEPTTELS TO A/FBO, A/SY/FO, AND A/SY/NSU REPEATING
PERTINENT PORTIONS OF REFTTEL C ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT
OC HAS NO DIFFICULTY WITH PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION MATE-
RIALS AND PREFERS THAT TO ALTERNATE PROPOSAL TO IN-
STALL IN ACR IF NEEDED. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION IN LOOKING
INTO WHAT APPEAR FROM THIS END TO BE COORDINATION PROBLEMS
BETWEEN DEPT AND ATO ATHENS AND INSURING THAT POST IS
ON DISTRIBUTION FOR INFO. OUR COMMON INTEREST IS IN HAVING
SKYLINK/SKYMUX INSTALLED AS RAPIDLY AND EFFICIENTLY
AS POSSIBLE.
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